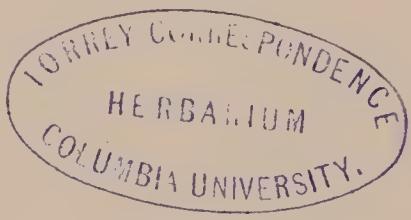


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My Dear Sir

I was duly favored with your kind letter & parcel by Mr. Gray for which accept of my best thanks. The parcel for Dr. Scouler was handed to him I send this letter by Mr. Robert Gray who has resided in New York for several years past now returning from a visit to his relations here. He is an excellent young man & has a situation as Tutor in one of your cities or Seminaries.

I have as yet only got you one subscriber to your Flora of North America viz. Linen Foot Esq's son to the celebrated Scand. Foot & I shall be glad to take another copy for myself. I will endeavor to get you other subscribers.

I paid a visit to my friends in Scotland lately & left our excellent friends Sir Wm & Lady Hooker & family well about a month ago. - as also Dr. Graham & other friends in Edinburgh.

Mr Scouler may possibly write to you by the same conveyance as I sent him word this morning that I could send a letter tomorrow.

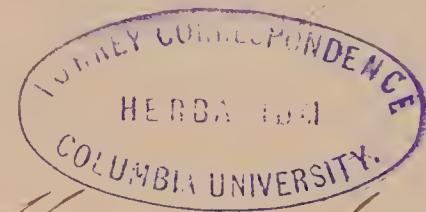
Our friends the Kirkpatrick & family are all well. Fortunately for our late harvest the weather has been fine for the last three or four weeks & the crops generally well saved. The oat & potato crops are good - the wheat crop not so abundant.

I shall be most happy to hear from you at your earliest convenience & am

My Dear Sir

Yours very sincerely

J. T. Mackay



Mr Gray goes by Royal Mail steamer from Liverpool on the 20th inst. The largest & best "hake" that has ever crossed the Atlantic. He came over here a few days ago on his first trip by way of trial & has since returned to Liverpool.